

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

Suspension of Police Inspector.

650. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Inspector who arrested Chengalam Muhamad is not under suspension from 25th February 1932, under orders passed by the Diwan on 22nd February 1932?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes; from the afternoon of 25th February 1932.

Answering of certain questions.

651. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it was not on 25th February 1932 that question Nos. 482, 484 and 485 relating to Chengalam Muhamad were answered in the last session of the Legislative Council?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Police responsible for the arrest of Chengalam Muhamad.

652. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the District Magistrate, who enquired into the conduct of the Police, who were responsible for the arrest and remand of Chengalam Muhamad, recommended any punishment to any of them;

(b) whether the District Magistrate found all or any of them guilty of any misconduct?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) and (b). The District Magistrate's report of enquiry is a confidential one. The information asked for cannot therefore be furnished.

Suspension—Inspector Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar.

653. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any explanation has been called for from Inspector Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar before he was suspended?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No. He was suspended as a result of an enquiry held by the District Magistrate and his explanation has been called for.

654. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Commissioner of Police recommended any punishment to Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar;

(b) if the answer is in the negative, whether the Commissioner of Police was at least consulted in the matter of suspension of Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar?